

**TEXAS CONFERENCE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2017
LAKEVIEW METHODIST CONFERENCE CENTER**

CALL TO ORDER: The annual business meeting of the Texas Conference United Methodist Women was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Paulette Moore-Hall.

ROLL CALL: The secretary, Carolyn Parker, reported the voting strength:

Central North District – 10

Central South District – 12

East District – 10

North District – 4

Northwest District – 12

South District – 8

Southeast District – 4

Southwest District – 9

West District – 8

Conference Officers – 11

National Office Director – 0

Total voting strength – 88

STANDING RULES: Carolyn Parker, Standing Rules Committee Chair, reported that the new Handbook 2017 – 2020 from the National Office was received this year. The proposed changes to the Standing Rules were due to information in the Handbook or clarification of current rules. She asked for questions on the proposed changes. There were none. President Paulette Moore-Hall called for a vote to approve the changes. The vote for approval was unanimous.

NOMINATIONS REPORT: Sarah Clark, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of officers for to be elected for 2018:

Chair, Committee on Nominations	Gwendolyn Smithheart
Member, Committee on Nominations (Class of 2021)	Vernita G. Jackson
Member, Committee on Nominations (Class of 2021)	Ashley Johnson

ELECTIONS: There were no nominations from the floor. The vote was unanimous for election by acclamation.

Sarah Clark introduced Mary Brown (Class of 2020) who fills the vacancy on the committee created when Paulette Moore-Hall was elected president. Mary was recommended by the Committee on Nominations and approved by the Conference Leadership Team.

MISSION MOMENT: Paulette Moore- Hall gave a presentation on the Legacy Fund.

ADOPTION OF BUDGET: The proposed budget for Administrative and Membership Development was presented by Margaret Goodson. Expected receipts are \$76,000. Meeting expenses in the amount of \$35,800, committee expenses in the amount of \$1,500, administrative expenses totaling \$15,900, and subsidies to districts in the amount of \$22,800 for a total of \$76,000 was proposed. Margaret explained that the reductions from the previous year's budget reflect our current level of expenditures and pledges. The proposed budget was passed without any questions or opposition.

PLEDGE SERVICE: The district treasurers shared information about funded mission projects improving the lives of those served and stated the pledge for their district.

CENTRAL NORTH	\$32,000
CENTRAL SOUTH	\$45,000
EAST	\$14,000
NORTH	\$20,000
NORTHWEST	\$25,000
SOUTH	\$35,000
SOUTHEAST	\$20,000
SOUTHWEST	\$25,000
WEST	\$25,000

The total pledge to missions from the 9 districts is \$ 241,000.

RETIRING OFFICERS: Paulette Moore-Hall recognized Sarah Clark who is retiring as Chair of the Committee on Nominations and presented her with a Special Mission Recognition Pin. Sarah recognized the retiring member of the Committee on Nominations, Maud Caldwell and presented her with a Special Mission Recognition Pin.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS: The new members of the Committee on Nominations were installed by Paulette Moore-Hall.

The business meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Parker
Secretary